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State of Vermont Office of the Attorney General 109State Street Montpelier, VT 05609

Re: Public Records Request for the Office of the Attorney General

Dear Custodian of Records:

Under the Vermont Public Records Law, §315 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records that have anything to do with the following:

- All documents concerning the State of Vermont's legal fees paid for legal services rendered in relation to Vermont's EB-5 program over the past three (3) years; and
- All documents concerning the State of Vermont's legal fees paid to law firm of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwel& Berkowitz, PC over the course of the past three (3) years.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development's oversight of EB-5 projects.

This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The law requires the custodian to promptly respond to this request, or within 10 days for extraordinary circumstances. If you expect a significant delay in fulfilling this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. I can be contacted at:

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If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

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If you should have any question, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely

Benjamin E. Novogroski